PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT New National Stage Entry Application of PCT/FR2003/003758

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

## Please add the following new Abstract of the Disclosure:

A method and installation for the production of a plastic container. The inventive method includes a step involving the thermal conditioning of at least some areas of a preform of the container, such that the temperature of the areas exceeds the glass transition temperature of the constituent material thereof; and a step involving the injection of a fluid into the preform so as to cause the preform to expand in order to shape same into a container. Unrestrained expansion of the above-mentioned areas of the preform is performed, i.e., without a mold, by controlling at least one injection parameter of the fluid in order to obtain the definitive container.

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